

KPCC: [Gavel crosses the aisle for the 112th Congress – Democrats/Round 2: Congressman Becerra weighs in](#) Congress is taking a rest this week after closing out its lame-duck session with an impressive list of victories for President Obama and Democrats, including the repeal of “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell,” the nuclear-arms reduction agreement, a health bill for 9/11 responders, a food safety bill, middle-class tax cuts and the extension of jobless benefits. But legislators will be back at their desks soon enough on January 3rd with a full work load... facing them will be the omnibus spending bill, tax overhaul, education, immigration, redistricting, increased investigations of all-things Obama, and funding (or de-funding) of the various parts of the health care bill. Today we hear from democratic Congressman Xavier Becerra on how he plans to approach the 112th and a newly minted Republican majority.

Guest:

Rep. Xavier Becerra, D – District 31, which includes areas of Los Angeles; vice-chair of the House Democratic Caucus and a member of the Ways and Means and Budget committees.